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Part 1

a)  $L = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

b)  $M = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

c)  $N = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$L^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$M^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 12 \\ 12 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$

$N^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 25 & 24 \\ 24 & 25 \end{pmatrix}$

d)  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a+1 & a \\ a & a+1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a+1 & a \\ a & a+1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (a+1)(a+1) + a^2 & a(a+1) + a(a+1) \\ a(a+1) + a(a+1) & a^2 + (a+1)(a+1) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2a^2 + 2a + 1 & 2a^2 + 2a \\ 2a^2 + 2a & 2a^2 + 2a + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rewrite matrix as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} b+1 & b \\ b & b+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

e) Xavi is right in examples a), b) and c).

f) Xavi is right when  $a$  is a real number, including zero.If  $a = 0$ ,If  $a = -1$ ,

Verify:

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

If  $a = -2$ ,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0+1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0+1 \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} 0+1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0+1 \end{pmatrix}$

$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} 4+1 & 4 \\ 4 & 4+1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$g) LM = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 7 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$h) MN = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 18 & 17 \\ 17 & 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i) LN = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 10 \\ 10 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$j) \begin{pmatrix} a+1 & a \\ a & a+1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b+1 & b \\ b & b+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (a+1)(b+1) + ab & b(a+1) + a(b+1) \\ a(b+1) + b(a+1) & ab + (a+1)(b+1) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2ab + a + b + 1 & 2ab + a + b \\ 2ab + a + b & 2ab + a + b + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rewrite as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} c+1 & c \\ c & c+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a, b$  and  $c$  are real numbers,  
including positive, negative and zero

Messia's hypothesis is correct.



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$$k) L^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 13 \\ 13 & 14 \end{pmatrix} \quad 1) L^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 41 & 40 \\ 40 & 41 \end{pmatrix} \quad m) L^5 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^5 = \begin{pmatrix} 122 & 121 \\ 121 & 122 \end{pmatrix}$$

n) If  $A$  is a matrix of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} a+1 & a \\ a & a+1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
 then  $A^3$  is of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} d+1 & d \\ d & d+1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
 $A^4$  is of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} e+1 & e \\ e & e+1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
 $A^5$  is of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} f+1 & f \\ f & f+1 \end{pmatrix}$  etc.

In  $A^x$ , where  $x$  is an odd number,

$$\begin{pmatrix} d+1 & d \\ d & d+1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ d is an odd number}$$

In  $A^y$ , where  $y$  is an even number,

$$\begin{pmatrix} e+1 & e \\ e & e+1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ e is an even number.}$$

No matter what Matrix  $A$ 's power is,  
 the form will always be

$$\begin{pmatrix} k+1 & k \\ k & k+1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } k \text{ is a real number and non-zero.}$$

[illegible]

Part 2.

Coordinates of triangle ABC :  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

a)  $MT = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -3 \\ -2 & -5 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

b)  $MT$  generates coordinates of a triangle  $T$  reflected across line  $x = -y$ .

c) The transformation by a reflection across the line  $x = -y$   
Matrix  $M$  is

d)  $M^2T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

The result of  $M^2T$  equals  $T$  because  $M^2$  is an identity matrix. Multiplying by the identity matrix makes no difference to the original matrix here.

e)  $M^3T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -3 \\ -2 & -5 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$

The result of  $M^3T$  is the same as  $MT$ , because

$M$  and  $M^3$  are both  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Like  $MT$ ,  $M^3T$  shows the reflected triangle across line  $x = -y$ .

g) (continued)

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f) \quad M^{-1} &= \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{0-(-1)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where  $x$  is an even number. You can also use the pattern for any other questions given  $M^x T$ . It does not take much time, unlike method 3 and you don't need any equipment, unlike method 2.

The answer is the same as the original matrix. When calculating inverse, you need to change the positions of  $a$  and  $d$ , in this case, nothing changes. Then,  $b$  and  $c$  are changed from  $-1$  to  $1$ . However, when multiplied by  $\frac{1}{\det}$ , which is  $-1$ ,

g) Method 1:

find a pattern in  $M^x T$  and calculate results.

$$\begin{aligned} M^2 T &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M^1 T &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -3 \\ -2 & -5 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M^4 T &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M^3 T &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -3 \\ -2 & -5 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

When  $x$  in  $M^x T$  is an even

$$M^x T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ number,}$$

When  $x$  in  $M^x T$  is an odd number,

$$M^x T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -3 \\ -2 & -5 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $x$  in  $M^{89998} T$  is an even number,

$$M^{89998} \text{ must equal } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Method 2: Another method would be using the GDC. Input Matrix  $M$ ,  $1.89998$  and multiply Matrix  $T$  for answer.

Method 3: Multiply the Matrix  $M$  by itself  $89998$  times, then multiply by Matrix  $T$ .

Conclusion: Method 1 is the most appropriate because really easy manual calculation of  $2 \times 3$  and  $2 \times 2$  matrix are done four times and the pattern is generated. There is no need to calculate anything for  $M^{89998} T$ , only take answer from  $M^x T$ .

Part 2. c

